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## Local News

### Paw Paw and Vicinity

Tom Poole is in Ann Arbor to have his tonsils removed.

Mrs. Cal LaGrave of Chicago is visiting at the home of Mrs. McLeod.

Miss Lettie Tubbs is assisting in the capacity of clerk at the First National Bank.

Mrs. F. A. Racette entertained her parents Mr. and Mrs. Pooler of Muskegon over the Fourth.

Sherman Tyler of Covert was a caller at The Northerner office on Saturday of last week.

County Clerk Royal Decker spent the week end with his mother at the Battle Creek Sanitarium.

Mrs. Mina Decker is taking treatment at the Sanitarium in Battle Creek, and is receiving much benefit.

There will be an installation of officers in Paw Paw Encampment No. 30 I. O. O. F. on Wednesday evening July 17th.

Attorney Martin J. Cavanaugh of Ann Arbor was the guest of his brother, T. J. Cavanaugh and family over the week end.

Mrs. A. A. Pike and grand daughter Miss Alice, have gone to South Haven to assist at the Newcombe resort during the resort season.

The "Forty Hours Devotion" will begin in St. Mary's church next Sunday, July 7th, and will continue until Tuesday morning. The order of the services will be announced at Mass.

G. E. Prater Jr. and family have arrived home from the South. The family will now remain here, but Mr. Prater leaves again for Onley, Virginia where he will probably be stationed for some time.

Attorneys David Anderson, T. J. Cavanaugh, Earl Burhans and Glenn E. Warner were in Kalamazoo last Friday evening to attend the annual banquet of the Michigan State Bar association.

Miss Thelma Thayer left last Thursday for Detroit where she will attend a business college. Miss Thayer was a member of the graduating class in the local schools this year, who intends to make the most of the start she has received.

Dr. F. A. Racette will be absent from his office from Wednesday of this week until Monday of next. He will motor to Muskegon and visit relatives. Mrs. Racette will join him there after the Fourth, and accompany him on the home trip.

J. Robert Duncan of the M. A. C. is in Van Buren county this week inspecting the fields of Red Rock wheat and Rosen rye. Every farmer who raises grain should investigate these varieties of grain, with a view of increasing the production of these important grain crops.

The damage resulting from the recent freeze is not as extensive as at first predicted. Much of the corn that was frosted is coming on again and will develop into quite a crop. Grapes are badly damaged in some localities, but the loss will not be as great as announced last week. The greatest loss will be sustained in the vicinity of Lawton, while those around Paw Paw, especially the vineyards west of town are scarcely touched.

Fred Rickert was taken to Kalamazoo last Friday night by Federal Officer C. H. Wright of that city. He was charged with having by his utterances proven himself to be disloyal to the Country that gives him protection. No specific charges were made against him however, and he was released. Mr. Rickert is an Alien Enemy and is somewhat ignorant. It is probable that he has been indiscreet in some of his remarks to the neighbors.

Capt. O. W. Rowland has the proud distinction of being the first in this vicinity at least, if not in the county, to own \$1,000 worth of War Savings Stamps. This veteran of the Civil War is now too old to do active service in the field, but he is not too old or too passive to do his duty to his country at home. The only reason that he does not own more War Savings Stamps is because the government places \$1,000 as the limit that any one individual can purchase. In addition to this however, Mr. Rowland has something over \$1,800 in Liberty Bonds and expects to be ready to buy more bonds of the big issue in October. The spirit shown by Mr. Rowland might well be emulated by those of more pretentious circumstances. It is the spirit that will eventually win the war.

Leland B. Gorton made a business trip to Dowagiac on Monday.

Max Benton and family entertained O. C. Rix and family of Mattawan on Sunday last.

Advertised Letters—Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunn, Miss Winnie Matralie, Mrs. Will Wait.

Mrs. Charles Duryea and children of Cadillac are guests of Paw Paw relatives and friends.

Miss McVey, a professional nurse from Chicago is the guest of her friend, Miss Marjorie Clapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Clapp spent the week end in Mishawaka, Indiana the guests of relatives of Mrs. Clapp.

Fred Yowler and Lester Hodges have both gone to Otsego and accepted a position in the paper mills in that city.

W. A. Simkins has not been so well as usual this week. He is some better now however, but not yet able to leave the house.

Duane Mosier and wife came from Lansing last Monday to spend a two weeks vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Mosier.

Robert Cavanaugh, Tom Poole and Bartlett Sellick will leave on July 15, for Camp Steever, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin for a two weeks course in military training.

O'Grady Bros. have improved the appearance of their side of Main street considerably by utilizing the windows of the Sellick store for display purposes.

William Yerington and wife of Kalamazoo are guests of Paw Paw friends a few days this week. They will go to Chicago soon where Mr. Yerington will take a two months course of study in the University of Chicago.

Mrs. Hattie Sanger arrived in Paw Paw last Saturday after an extended visit at the home of her daughter in Philadelphia. She is now at her post with her partner Mrs. Gardner at the Millinery store recently purchased of Mrs. Lupnitz Quartermas.

Frank McLain has moved his barber shop from the Maynard building to the Racket store, where a corner has been fitted up for a commodious tonsorial parlor in Burhan's Billiard room. Frank McLain and Cady Smith are the artists, Cady working at the chair afternoons after his route for the Engel baking company has been covered.

There will be installation of officers and a big "Feed" at the I. O. O. F. hall this week Friday evening. The "Feed" is the result of the recent contest for membership. It resulted in a tie, which necessitates a double supply of "eats". It is not necessary to state that every member of this organization will be present when the roll is called.

Howard Parks has been home on a furlough this week. He has been transferred from Selfridge Field Mt. Clemens to Urbana, Illinois where he will take a twelve weeks course in aero training. He will report at the training school on Saturday of this week. Howard never looked as well in his life and he tips the scales now at 173 pounds.

M. H. Young is feeling quite "Chester" these days. An eight and one half pound baby boy born to them on Monday night of this week is responsible for Merle's "swelled Up" appearance as he walks down the street. Mother and babe are doing nicely, and there will be an abundance of sunshine in the Young's family, even though the frost did nip the onions.

A beautiful service flag will be dedicated at St. Mary's church next Sunday evening at eight o'clock. The flag is of heavy satin, a red border with white center on which are placed fifteen blue stars and one of gold. The latter is in memory of Norbert Neville of Decatur who died in a southern training camp, and the former represents the number of boys from this church who are now serving their country. Father McQueen of St. Joseph church, Kalamazoo will make the principal address at the dedication. Every one will be welcomed to this patriotic service.

Mrs. Will Morton of Route six, won first prize in the Missing Word contest last week and Mrs. Fanny Mitchelson of Route 4, the second. This is the last week of the contest. The interest has kept up remarkably well, and many answers have been received every week. Let us have a large number this week. Some one will get the \$1.00 in Thrift Stamps and some one a six months subscription to The True Northerner, and this will be the last opportunity in this particular contest. Get the answers in early. Those received after Tuesday noon do not count.

G. A. Cross of Lawrence was in town Saturday on business.

Miss Ora Rowley of Lawrence was in Paw Paw last Monday.

M. L. Barber was home for the week end and remained until after the Fourth.

Masters Donald and David Anderson have returned from a weeks visit on the farm in Berlamont.

Mrs. Cora Whalen of Benton Harbor was the guest of Mrs. E. F. Parks the latter part of last week.

Miss Blanche Cavanaugh has been in Ann Arbor for the past week or more, a guest of her uncle and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Simpson and baby were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sowle and Dr. and Mrs. Racette.

Master Charles Millen left Wednesday for Hartford to spend a month of his school vacation on the farm of a cousin residing near that city.

Supt. O. W. Kaye and Azel McNeil left last Monday for Harvard University where they will take a six weeks course in Military training.

Miss Audrey Cross returned home from Hastings the first of the week after finishing a most successful year as teacher in the city schools of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace McDonald and family motored from Grand Rapids last Saturday and are spending the week at the home of her mother Mrs. Elvira Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tuttle and Miss Dorothy went to Big Rapids last Saturday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith in their new home there, returning Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Bailey and two children of Grand Rapids and Master Richard Hall of Grand Rapids arrived last Saturday to spend the summer at the home of her mother Mrs. Bertha North.

Henry Shaefer and family are now nicely settled in their cottage at Three Mile lake for a several weeks outing. Ford Wilbur and family are also there in their cottage for the summer months.

During the storm last Sunday morning lightning struck the large oak tree on Paw Paw street near the James Nelson residence and literally stripped every vestige of bark from the trunk and large branches.

John Mutchler and family motored to Grand Rapids last Saturday. They were called there to attend the funeral of a nephew who died suddenly while in Chicago. His remains were brought there for burial. The family returned home Monday.

Ward Mentor who has been spending a vacation at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Laban Mentor, left on Tuesday morning for Vancouver, Washington, to become a unit in Uncle Sam's fighting forces. Ward has been employed by the Western Electric company for the past two years, and expects to serve in some capacity along the line of work in which he has become proficient.

Forty-one Dodge automobiles including sixteen trucks, all for army use, passed through Paw Paw Tuesday morning, enroute from Detroit to Chicago. The cars were driven by soldiers from Camp Grant under command of Lieutenant Dimmick and Lieutenant Horrell. The cars will be taken to what is known as "The Motor Convoy Service Camp" in Chicago, and from that point will be driven with other cars and many trucks to Baltimore, which will be the first lap of the journey "Over Seas." This is the third consignment of Army cars from the Dodge factory to pass through Paw Paw.

The Paw Paw Chautauqua this year will be on the Old Court House grounds again. While this location is perhaps not as beautiful in many ways as the Thayer grounds, it probably is more satisfactory to a great majority of Chautauqua patrons. The dates as already announced are August 19 to 26 inclusive. The chautauqua patrons are promised many rich features this year. The war will furnish many attractions that will appeal to every red blooded citizen in the county. Dr. Robert Mathews, who has recently returned from the front and was in Paris during the Long Range bombardment, will be the official Red Cross speaker, and has a place on the program for one day. He has a wonderful story to tell. Miss Marie Van Gastel is another number to thrill the people. She enlisted as a Belgian Red Cross nurse at the very beginning of the war and was honorably discharged after being severely wounded. Other features of the program will be announced in a later issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kroth were in Kalamazoo visitors on Monday.

The Almena Road to Kalamazoo has been recently dragged and put in good condition.

Miss Rosina Waters enjoyed a visit this week from her sister who lives in Rockford, Michigan.

Ted Pepper who underwent several operations on his neck at a hospital in Chicago is able to be home again. He has had a serious time and his host of friends are hopeful for a speedy recovery now.

Last Saturday evening, Miss Marian Boess accompanied by her brother Jack, and Mrs. H. A. Cole and daughter Margaret, motored to South Haven to meet Mrs. Boess who was returning from a trip to Chicago.

The members and congregation of the Baptist church are cordially invited to come to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cooley on Friday evening of this week for a farewell reception to the pastor, Rev. C. H. Heaton who leaves soon for an army training camp in the south.

The figures on the War Savings Stamp Drive for Paw Paw township are not available. Returns are coming in rather slow, and many who should and will purchase stamps have not as yet done so. The committees who have finished the canvass report liberal response and there is no question but that Paw Paw will reach the quota when the returns are all in. We hope to give the figures for the entire county in the next issue.

Walter Church who was home on a ten days furlough received a telegram last Saturday to report to his squadron at once. He is First Sergeant of the 73rd Aero Squadron stationed at Call Field, Texas. He interpreted the message to mean "Over Seas" soon, and was delighted to get it. He is a son of Mrs. Varella Church, and has one brother Arthur, an attorney in Chicago, in the service and already in France.

The first stretch of Concrete State Road in Van Buren county was completed a few days ago by Road Contractor Walter A. Kline. It is something over a quarter of a mile on the Paw Paw-Decatur lap of the Dixie Highway and near Paw Paw. This job is a fine piece of road building and reflects much credit on the engineer, Dana Smith and the Contractor, Mr. Kline. The Contractor is from South Bend, Indiana. He is well known in this county, having done considerable work in concrete construction in the vicinity of Bangor. He has first class equipment, including a mixer that can mix concrete to build on an average of two hundred feet per day. Mr. Kline is thinking of locating in Paw Paw, and already has several stretches of road building under consideration.

At three o'clock last Monday afternoon, the neighboring ladies and a few from Almena to the number of thirty, gathered at the home of Mrs. C. B. Jordan, to bring her birthday. Mrs. Jordan was deeply touched with this evidence (so unexpectedly bestowed) of the deep regard of her neighbors, relatives and friends. The house was made fragrant with a profusion of flowers, and at 5:30 the company sat down to the table, which was laden with the best specimens of culinary skill. The good husband thought it discreet to "Go out to Tea", but the ladies importuned him so strongly to stay, that at last the "Sturdy Old Veteran" was taken captive and completely surrendered. It was a very delightful affair and many were the wishes that Mrs. Jordan may have many anniversaries.

A very joyous wedding took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chase of Lawrence township, Wednesday evening, June 26th, when their only daughter Miss Eulah Louise was united in marriage to Leland M. Barnes of Lawrence, Rev. Wm. A. Taylor of Decatur officiating. Promptly at 8:30 o'clock the wedding march was played by Miss Marjorie Jennings of Lawrence and the wedding party took their positions under the floral archway of the parlor, then Miss Louise Robinson sang an appropriate solo which was followed by the impressive ritual marriage service of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Loren Thomas acted as best man and Miss Louise Harley as brides maid. The guests were the immediate relatives of the bride and groom with a few special friends, most of whom were residents of Lawrence township. Among those from abroad were Mr. Harry Chase of Grand Rapids, Mrs. D. Stoddard and Miss Margaret Archbold of Burlington, Iowa and Mrs. F. A. Chase of Decatur, Mich. After hearty congratulations, a dainty two course luncheon was served. The young couple were the recipients of many beautiful and useful presents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Duncombe were in Lawrence last Sunday.

Miss Marie Colburn returned home Wednesday from a weeks visit with relatives in Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Stanley Briggs went to Detroit Tuesday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Rowland.

Father Clarkson and Miss Annie were in Detroit last week, returning Saturday night.

A very pretty home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lipp of Gliddenburg, Wednesday, June 26th, at high noon, when Miss Anna Mortensen became the happy bride of Mr. Floyd C. Allen of Lawrence. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. H. Heaton of Paw Paw in the presence of about thirty guests, members of the immediate families of the two parties. The house was tastefully decorated with Roses, asparagus ferns and sweet peas. A beautiful bower was arranged in front of a large bay window for a marriage altar. This was banked with flowers and overhung with a large American flag. On either side of the altar hung a service flag representing two cousins of the bride now in service. Six little girls assisted in the service. The bride's dress was of white Crepe de Chine and she carried an armful of roses. She is a recent graduate of the Paw Paw High School. The groom is a young farmer near Lawrence was a graduate of the Lawrence High school. After the wedding dinner the couple left for a short tour and will be at home to their friends after their return at their farm residence near Lawrence.

The following clipping was taken from The True Northerner of February 1878, and brought to the office by Mrs. Martha Smith. It reads like a fairy tale or a dream in these days of high cost of living, and will be of interest for purposes of comparison. The parties mentioned have all passed beyond, but their names will be familiar to readers of The Northerner. The "Allen Smith" referred to was the husband of Mrs. Martha Smith, and she has a very vivid recollection of the "Porker" mentioned in the clipping:—"The Gliddenburg pork crop was sold by Henry M. Pugsley and Julian Sheldon to Thomas Brownbridge, of Decatur, for four cents per pound. It was delivered on Thursday, January 31st, 1878, and weighed about twenty-one thousand pounds, and was drawn into that suburban village by a procession of sixteen teams. Fault has occasionally been found with Decatur weights but these people are satisfied that their pork was fairly weighed and desire us to say so for them. Large hogs appear to have been a feature of the past season. A few days ago H. P. Sanger dressed a hog of the Essex and Poland variety that brought down the scales at 519 pounds. The other day Allen Smith sold to Longwell & Co., a dressed hog of the Poland and Chester-White variety, whose avoirdupois was 600 pounds, and C. P. Rawson sold one of the same variety to Allen Engle which weighed 645 pounds. This beats them all, and puts "Cole's hog ahead."

Kalamazoo will stage its eleventh Grand Circuit race meeting at Recreation Park, the week of July 15 to 20. It is the only Michigan city to be represented in the "Big Line" this year, an unusual distinction. This year's program is arranged for both the Grand Circuiters and the Michigan Short Ship circuit and will run through six days. Entries are practically all in for the meeting and the representation is in every way satisfactory. The number of nominations for the twenty events on the card will be in excess of 250. Four early closing events for the Grand Circuit division, drew seventy entries, while the Short Ship early closing classes received a combined list numbering 143. The late closing races number twelve. Of these four will be contested on the half mile track and eight on the mile track. Among the eight mile track events is a \$3,000.00 purse for 2:08 trotters, which will be raced Wednesday, July 17th. This contest will have a field of ten of the best horses on the American harness turf. Another feature of Wednesday's card will be the Free-for-all pace, best two in three heats. The horses eligible for this event are William, 1:58½; Single G., 2:00; Miss Harris M., 2:00; Hal Boy, 2:01; and Russel Roy, 2:00½. It is the best field of fast pacers that has ever contested over a Michigan track. The Free-For-All trot features Thursday's program and should be fully as interesting as the race for fast pacers. St. Frisco, 2:01¼; Mabel Trask, 2:02¼; Early Dreams, 2:04¼; Royal Mack, Lu-Princeton, 2:04¼; and Bacilli, 2:08¼ are entered. It is a truly remarkable list of horses. The complete six days program will be published in these columns next week.

Mrs. J. E. Gilkey and Mrs. Frank Miller were Kalamazoo visitors on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roll Larkins received a card from their son, Elmer Johnson stating that he had arrived safe in France.

Fred Lashaw has been transferred from Camp Grant to Louisville, Kentucky to complete the officers training course.

Mrs. Roll Larkin went to Ann Arbor Monday to bring Miss Lena Richmond home from the hospital where she has been for six weeks treatment.

Extracts from letter from Frank Mackey, Co. K. 125 U. S. Infantry A. E. F. France to his aunt Mrs. Mackey. Frank is one of the many Indian Boys who are in the service of their country.

I was glad to get your letter. I think it went all over France before it found me. We have been in France now nearly three months, and enjoy it very much. The scenery here this time of the year is grand. The trees and fields all look so fine. The weather with the exception of some rainy days has been beautiful. Paul and I are getting along fine. (Paul is a cousin, Paul Mackey). We are in the best of health and condition. We received the handkerchiefs you sent us and thank you so much for them. I haven't much news to write, but want you to know that we are well, happy and are doing our duty as best we can. Write to us often.

Letter from Merrill S. Fuller to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bilbrough. Merrill is in the 17th, company and is stationed at Camp Revere, Boston, Massachusetts. The training at this fort is short, and Merrill will undoubtedly soon be ready for "Over Seas" duty.

Arrived safely after a very pleasant journey. Had to get a pass at Boston with my picture on it before I could get a boat to get out here. Boston Harbor is full of islands. Each one has a Fort on it. This fort, Fort Revere is the fifth stop going out on a long narrow strip of land. We are right on the point of it. I can see both Bay and ocean just below us. A big submarine net is stretched across right near here to keep enemy subs out. There are about four hundred men located here. They are all new men. They sent the old bunch across about three weeks ago. They don't keep them here over three months. They have nice places to sleep and eat here, and good, new buildings. I'm in a tent now with two other lads. Haven't got my army clothes yet. It will be a week yet anyhow before I get any. They are having hard work to get them. The grub is good, and good fellows are easy to find.

It has certainly been hot here for a few days, good corn weather. Can't get out of this place for two weeks anyhow to look around. Don't get many passes. They don't worry me any however.

HONOR THE BOYS IN KHAKI  
The following preamble and resolution was presented to Brohead Post, G. A. R., by Captain Rowland and adopted by an unanimous vote.

To the Officers and Members of Brohead Post, No. 31, G. A. R. Paw Paw, Michigan, July, 1st, 1918.  
WHEREAS, The veteran soldiers of the civil war are rapidly passing away, being mustered out at the rate of more than three thousand each month, it is evident that unless some radical change be made in the rules prescribing qualifications for membership, the Grand Army of the Republic, as an order, will, in the near future pass from the stage of action and become but a memory; and

WHEREAS, We believe such a result would be most deplorable, and that action ought now to be taken to perpetuate our order; and  
WHEREAS, We believe that the soldiers of the late war with Spain and the brave Americans who are engaged in the present world contest for human liberty and freedom are as patriotic and loyal and as truly members of the Great Grand Army of the Republic, and as well entitled to honor and consideration as we who served our country more than half a century ago;

THEREFORE, Resolved, that we, the officers and members of Brohead Post, No. 31, G. A. R. of Paw Paw, Michigan, do most earnestly recommend and urge upon our State and National Encampments, that the constitution, rules and regulations of our order be so changed and amended as to make all honorably discharged soldiers of the Spanish war and the present European war, the greatest war the world has ever known, eligible to membership in the order that we have so long helped to support and maintain.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.  
O. W. Rowland  
Past Post Commander.